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The William E. Grady Vocational and Technical High School



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## SENIOR CLASS ACTIVITIES

### Class Officers Elected

The Seniors have elected the following students as class officers: Pres. Anthony Matrone, Vice Pres. Michael Savino, Secretary Ronald Conti, and Treasurer Richard Colleti.

Also elected as class representatives were Anthony Bainlardi, Anthony Morabito, Vito Martino, Joseph Cavaluzzi, Salvatore Vittorea.

### Seniors Publish Weekly Newspaper

A new Grady newspaper, **Senior Artisan Review**, was published for the first time Friday, November 2. The paper, a single mimeographed sheet, will publish every Friday news items and announcements of particular interest to Seniors.

The Guidance Department, under the direction of Robert Berger, is planning an expanded program to help both Ninth Year and Senior students in guidance and vocational preparation. For the Ninth Graders, Social Studies teachers will lead class discussions on the importance of building good records in classwork and conduct. Ninth Grade assemblies are planned in which attendance, health and shop counselors will speak.

For the Seniors, a program is being planned to develop more highly skilled technicians and mechanics. Mr. Berger commented that if every student saw his guidance counselor at least once every term, it would be much easier for many students to graduate on time. All a student has to do to see his guidance counselor is to send him a short written request through his official class teacher. "Every guidance counselor," said Mr. Berger, "considers himself a friend of each student under his care."

RICHARD MAURO and  
JOE CASSETTA

### IN MEMORIAM

HERMAN M. FRIEDMAN

November 13, 1961

Teacher - Friend

## Grady Printers Win Top Prizes

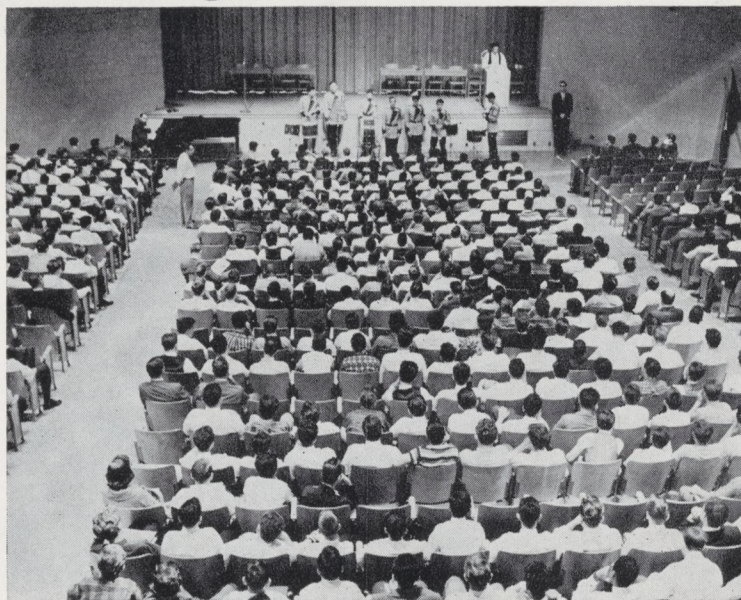
First, second, and third prizes have been awarded to Gabriel Areizaga, Louis Faluotico, and Chris Perrin respectively, in the annual Industrial Arts Awards Contest for 1961, sponsored nationally by Ford Motors and the American Industrial Arts Association. The boys, students of Ben Smith, Grady's printing instructor, received cash, a gold pin, certificate and ribbon.

The Industrial Arts Awards is aimed at encouraging fine craftsmanship among junior and senior high school students. Annually, 1295 prizes worth \$35,000 are offered for outstanding craftsmanship in architectural drawing, ceramics, electronics, radio, television, graphic arts or printing, jewelry, leather, machine shop and woodworking.

In the four past national contests, among thousands of entries, Grady printers have won top awards. Winners have included Anthony Darello, Arthur Martino, Robert LaCamera, William Swanwick, Thomas Grogan, John Callahan, Lewis DeCandia, Joseph Esposito, John Heiser and Martin Reingold.

Will you be a winner for 1962? If you are interested in taking part in this national contest, talk it over with your shop teacher or with Ben Smith, Room 220, the third

## 715 Freshmen Enter Grady Largest Class In History



Freshman Assembly October 1961

When Grady's doors opened last September, the largest Freshman class in our history trooped in, a total of 715 boys. Of the total, 419 were admitted from junior high schools, 174 came from public schools and 171 were admitted from parochial schools. Last year, 667 students entered Grady.

Believing that a class this size had an interesting story to tell, Features Editor Hector Sanchez and a crew of reporters armed themselves with prepared questionnaires and combed each '65' official class for answers. Specifically, they sought answers to the following questions: If there was such a person as an average Grady Ninth Grader, how old would he be? How tall was he, and how heavy? What school did he come from and what were his favorite hobbies and TV programs? After using their slide rules with more than the usual energy, our reporters came up with some interesting answers.

The average Grady freshman is 14.15 years of age; he is 5'3.6" tall and weighs 123.98 pounds. Most of our freshmen came from Public Schools 9, 27, 100, 163, 198 and 203. Among the parochial schools represented were **Mary, Queen of Heaven, Holy Name, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, and St. Michaels**. All of our freshmen, except four, live in Brooklyn. The four live in Queens.

When it came to a preference for courses at Grady, technical electronics received first choice. Favored in between were automotives, electrical installations, cabinet making, and machine shop.

In sports, our freshmen favored baseball, basketball and football, and in hobbies, model cars led the rest, while coin and stamp collecting, and fishing fell far behind. The four TV shows enjoyed most were "The Untouchables," "Thriller," "Sea Hunt," and "Surfside 6."

HECTOR SANCHEZ, MARIO DIMOLFETTO, TOM KARRMANN, BASIL CAPIZZI and ANTHONY CATASANO

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Mr. Irving Waldt.

As increasing numbers of our students are awarded prizes, scholarships, employment and other forms of recognition, all of us can feel proud of our school and its accomplishments.

Among the many awards during the past year, Grady boys took claim to: 1st and 2nd place in the city-wide New York Chamber of Commerce Essay Contest; 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in the nationwide Ford Industrial Arts contests in the graphic arts; 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 7th places in the Brooklyn Junior Chamber of Commerce Auto Driving Competition; two scholarships for the course in Petroleum Distribution of the New York City Community College, and four apprentice placements with the New York Port Authority.

This is clear evidence of the scholastic excellence of our student body. There remains, however, an area that still requires lots of our attention—the personal attitudes that determine one's consideration for the rights of others; our co-operation in maintaining the spirit needed for best learning; our common concern for the beauty and cleanliness of the school and its facilities.

It is my hope that, during this school year, a constructive program to improve these attitudes will be begun and that all of us will take part in it. For by so doing, we will only then begin to match our moral and social responsibilities with our scholastic achievements.

## COLUMN "323"

### 1961—What Is Meant to Me

The year 1961 has meant a lot to me. Just one year has changed my life. Between 1960 and 1961 I decided what to do with my life. I made up my mind to settle down, go to school, learn a trade and to keep out of trouble.

So far I learned a lot in school this term and I am learning a lot about my trade (automatic heating). I decided to graduate from high school, go out and try to find a job with an oil burner company, and then get a business of my own.

1961 has meant my growing up in many ways, my mind is different in all ways from what it was in 1960. Now all I think about is the future and trying to make it better for me. In 1960 I used to play hookey from school. In 1961 I realized that I made a great mistake by not going to school regularly. In all ways 1961 has meant a lot to me.

1961 was the year Roger Maris broke Babe Ruth's home run record in an expanded game schedule. Babe Ruth did it in 154 (60); Roger Maris (61) in 162 games in the 154th game.

It was a year when Russia and the U.S. sent their first men into space; Yuri Gagarin for Russia and Alan Sheppard for the U.S. Other important things happened in 1961, the start of the Berlin crisis, the division of Berlin between East and West. In short, 1961 has meant a lot to the world and to me!

### HALL LEONARD

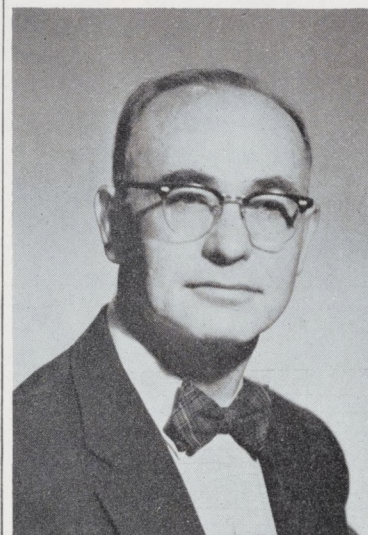
#### MRS. LILLIAN UNGER, Teacher

(Teachers! The **Headliner** would like to publish other expressions of student interest in himself and his world. Send your compositions of particular merit to Mr. H. Weinstat, Faculty Advisor.)

## A Message to Our Freshmen

Freshmen, Attention! If you are 14 years of age, 5'3.6" tall weigh 123 lbs., you could become Mr. Grady Freshman for '61 and be written up in the next issue of the **Headliner** (with pictures, of course!). Since we put you together with questionnaires and slide rules, we now want to see if you really exist in the flesh. If you are very, very close to the above figures, run—don't walk—to Roger Meloe, Editor of the **Headliner**.

## "... And Gladly Would He Learn and Gladly Teach"



It was a pleasure to interview Dr. Sam Goodman of our Social Studies Department, for, having completed thirty-six years of classroom teaching, he has many interesting stories to tell. "Doc" Goodman went into teaching in 1925. He has seen more than three generations of students come and go, and although he has remained a classroom teacher, along the way he obtained a Doctor of Laws degree and received his license to practice law, which he intends to do when he retires from teaching. "Doc" Goodman is a trailer fan, and loves to travel around the country in a trailer. He is also an expert mandolin player, has a wife and two children and expects to become a grandfather soon.

But most of all, when "Doc" talks of his many years of teaching his blue eyes light up like candles and his square jaw juts out a little. He has always taught in trade and vocational schools. But when he began to teach, there was no such thing as vocational schools, and teachers could only dream of textbooks and labs. He recalls when a teacher was given \$10 and told to start a photography shop! Those were the years when vocational schools were housed in old, run-down buildings. Whatever was not good enough for any other purpose, was turned into a vocational school. "Conditions were very bad in those days, compared to what they are today," said "Doc." "But vocational students of today are as good or better than those of fifteen years ago."

GEORGE CRENO

## As Grady Goes

Mayor Robert Wagner narrowly defeated his Republican rival Attorney General Louis Lefkowitz in a poll of Grady students on November 1. A third candidate, Lawrence Gerosa, finished a poor third.

The poll, conducted by the Social Studies Department, followed several debates at specially arranged assemblies on October 25 and October 31, in which the issues for and against the candidates were aired by student debaters.

Voting on public issues has become a tradition at Grady, and something of a political barometer for local and national campaigns. Election results were accurately forecast in the previous local and national campaigns. In the last presidential campaign poll at Grady, President Kennedy won in a "squeaker" over Richard Nixon; which result was repeated in the national election.

Since its start, election polls preceded by assembly debates, have been under the supervision of N. Charles Emil, Chairman of the Academic Department of our school.

LOUIS CINTRON



## Fewer Seniors File For College

"Fewer Seniors have applied for college entrance examinations this year than last," reports Dr. Mortimer L. Fisch, faculty advisor. He pointed out that while twenty-two applications were filed last year for the Scholastic Aptitude Test, only ten applications were filed this year. However, since the SAT exams are given several times each year, he is certain that more Grady boys will apply.

Several Seniors have filed for admission to the New York State University at Oswego, and several have filed for the Student Trainee Program sponsored by the Federal Civil Service Board. This program enables the student to work at the Brooklyn Navy Yard while attending college.

### LIBRARY NOTES

Recently, the Federal Government began to supply certain technical books to our school library. This is being done because back in 1958, Congress passed the National Defense Act, which seeks to strengthen our country educationally by aiding specialization in the fields of mathematics and science.

Our school library plans to put many of its new NDEA books on exhibition later in the term. A number of books which will be exhibited are: **Science for Progress, How Scientists Have Changed the World, Fallout, Guided Tour Through Space and Time, Astronauts, Exploring the Planets, Reaching for the Stars, Fun With Mathematics, Mathematics, Puzzles and Pastimes.**

TOM APPROBATO

### GOOD RECORD PAYS OFF

Fred Hansen, a Grady grad of June, 1960, was hired by the New York branch of the Atomic Energy Commission as a circuit tracer for computers, and as a wiring checker for other computer devices. Fred, who says that he was hired by the Commission because of his excellent record in the Technical Course at Grady, plans to continue his studies at N.Y.U. in January. He will major as a technical engineer.

FRED SAPIENZA



For the first time in five years, GRADY'S C-corridor is thumping to the snappy beat of our fifteen piece, smartly uniformed band, shown here under the direction of Mr. Gersten.

Front: Lambros, Pollack, Xuereb, DeCarlo, Vouriotis, O'Brien, Marino, DeCandia, Martin, Mr. Gersten.

Rear: Celentano, Fiore, Cirillo, Bacotti, Simmonds.

## KEEPING UP WITH GRADY

Parents of Grady boys who missed an "Open-School-Night" chat with our teachers Monday, November 13, had another opportunity on Monday afternoon, November 20, to get some first-hand information on how "Johnnie" is doing in school. Classes were dismissed early and the interviews were held from 12:20 to 2:20 P.M.

### Parent-Teacher Association

Mrs. Mildred Schwartz, President of the Grady P.T.A., is pleased to report that membership in the organization has increased sharply over last year's total, due mainly to the increasing interest shown by the parents of Ninth-Year students.

The P.T.A. is planning several meetings with members of the Grady faculty on the subject of student guidance in the selection of future courses offered by the school.

MARK SCHWARTZ

### S.G.O. Congress Elects

At its first meeting on September 19, the following committees were formed and chairmen elected: Social, Anthony Matrone; Sports, Verzell Thomas; Publicity, A. Ruberto; Community, M. Lepore.

The following were elected to represent their respective classes: Seniors, T. McGrath; Juniors, Paul Arbour; Sophomores, F. Osborne; Freshmen, J. Miranda.

After an executive council consisting of G.O. officers, class representatives and committee chairmen was formed, Andrew Barralle and Hector Sanchez were selected to represent our school at the S.G.O. Conference in Andover, New Jersey.

HECTOR SANCHEZ

The S.G.O. has already collected 85% of the G.O. dues, with most classes at or nearing the 100% mark. The S.G.O. now has more members than it had all last year. However, in order to bring all classes up to the 100% mark, G.O. officers A. Barralle, J. Cavaluzzi, H. Sanchez and W. Elliott plan to visit all classes low in membership to explain G.O. benefits.

WILLIAM ELLIOTT

## Grady Trackmen End Cross-Country Runs

We took first place in the track meet against Sheepshead Bay High School. Captain John Arthur took first place in the Varsity section of the cross-country run, hitting 13:49.0 at Marine Park on Wednesday, October 18, while Nick Lombardi took first place in the Junior Varsity Section, hitting 14:01.0. Those who also ran in the varsity section and finished in the following order were: John Butler, Richard Smith, Valerio Bonanno, and Curtis King. Those who ran in the Junior Varsity and finished in the following order were: Richard Squillari, Billy Viars, Joseph Torres, and Vincent Sollosanti. Although we lost the meet the team made a fine showing.

In the Boro Champs Meet held at Prospect Park on Friday, October 27, Steve Clayton took 17th place in the Varsity Section. He was backed up by William Baldwin, Richard Smith, Valerio Bonanno, and Curtis King. In the Junior Varsity section of the meet, Nick Lombardi took 4th place and was backed up by Joseph Cope, Salvatore Napolitano, Vincent Sollosanti, and Billy Viars.

This ended the cross-country season and opened the team's indoor sprint season. Our first indoor meet will be the Bishop Loughlin Games on December 9 at the 102nd Engineers Armory in New York City. In the meantime, Coach Meyer has scheduled practice on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday of every week for those on the team, and tryout for those who want to try to make the team.

JOHN LEEN

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## COMPLETES GOOD SEASON



From the broad smile on Coach Arnie Glick's face as the Grady Soccer Squad poses for its post-season photo, he's happy at the showing of the team this year. Maybe he's also thinking of next year for he has very good prospects in Miquel Acebal, Arthur Bleechmer, Prebin Eilentsen and Carl Tschermutter, freshmen and sophomores. Veteran players include Captain Joe Marrapodi, Rudy Sabio, Co-Captain Anthony Indelicato, Rino Tirone, Goalie Sal Frazzetta, Joe Acebal and Tom Calcagno.

Top Left to Right: Mgr. Lessman, Calcagno, Indelicato, Capt. Marrapodi, Codispoti, Blechner, Bainlardi, Coach A. Glick.

Bottom Left to Right: Tawil, M. Acebal, Martone, Tschermutter, Eilertsen, Chierchia, Reisner, Frazzetta. Absent from photo: Timone, Sabio, J. Acebal.

### Soccer Team Schedule and Results

Date	Opponent	Grady	Opponent
Sept. 22	— Erasmus .....	1	0
27	— Madison .....	4	1
28	— Lafayette .....	1	3
Oct. 2	— Lincoln .....	1	2
4	— Sheepshead .....	4	1
9	— Ft. Hamilton .....	1	1
11	— New Utrecht .....	2	1
16	— Lafayette .....	2	4
19	— Lincoln .....	1	8
23	— Sheepshead .....	5	1
26	— Ft. Hamilton .....	1	2
30	— New Utrecht .....	3	1
Nov. 1	— Erasmus .....	2	1
Totals — League Game .....		Won 4 — Lost 5 — Tied 1	
— Exhibition Games .....		Won 3 — Lost 0	

### Fencing

As this issue of the **Headliner** goes to press, our Fencing team has broken even in League play; beating Hamilton High School 9-3 and losing to Abraham Lincoln 9-3.

### Schedule of Meets

Date	Team
AWAY Nov. 10	— Sheepshead
Nov. 21	— Wingate
Dec. 12	— New Utrecht
HOME Nov. 27	— Eastern and Boys' High

### Team Members

REGULARS: Tony Sirvent, Morton Sowinsky, Robert Lynn, Philip Sobol, Vincent Schiumo.

REPLACEMENTS: Henry Dudjincki, Alex Elefant, Nicholas Debibee, Keven Corrigan.

GEORGE ULANER

**Coming in the next issue of HEADLINER: Interclass basketball and the Health Education Story at GRADY**

## SPORTSLANTS

The **Grady** basketball team, this year, is young, inexperienced, untested—but very promising. Unfortunately, the injury bug has been active and our progress has been slow. Radames Rios, our best backcourt man last year, dislocated his shoulder this season and will be out of action for a few weeks. Jimmy Gallagher, a sure starter at forward, suffered a severe ankle injury and will also be out of action for a while. Although injuries have knocked 40% of the starting team out of action, the rest of the boys are working hard to take up the slack. Our most obvious handicap is lack of height. Captain Verzall Thomas, at 5'11" is our best rebounder. Thomas, the only senior on the squad, is a great driver and should be one of the best players in our division.

Helping Thomas up front will be Joe Masella and Carlton Olds. Masella, born in Italy, was introduced to basketball only last year. But he's a rugged 6'2", 200 lbs., and learns fast. Olds, 6'1", is a good leaper and shoots well.

Competing for starting berths in the backcourt are Ed. Jeffers, a flashy sophomore, Paul Sommer, returning letterman, John Prendergast, a real handy playmaker, and Vinnie Masella, a tough, rugged sophomore. Also in the running is sophomore Tommy Steininger, an excellent shooter who might well turn out to be the best ball player ever to wear a Grady uniform.

Rounding out the squad are Howie Rosenberg, Tom Nugent, Robert Harrington, Mimmy Mannix, Michael Weisman, Jon Snyder, and Paul Parente.

Due to the overall inexperience of the team, Jack Langbart, now rounding out his third year as coach of the team, declared that predicting the future is extremely difficult. But he believes the boys look very good in practice, and in light of the new P.S.A.L. set up, and barring more injuries, expects the Grady hoopsters to wind up near the top of the league.

HOWARD ROSENBERG and  
PAUL SOMMER

### Basketball Schedule for Home Games

Alexander Hamilton .....	Tuesday, December 5
East New York .....	Monday, December 11
McKee .....	Tuesday, December 19
Eastern District .....	Wednesday, January 3
Eli Whitney .....	Friday, January 12
Bushwick .....	Thursday, January 18
Westinghouse .....	Tuesday, January 30
Queens Vocational .....	Friday, February 9
Edison .....	Monday, February 19

## Intramural League

The first round of Grady's Inter-Class Basketball Tourney has been completed, and the following classes have now begun their second time around:

9th Year	10th Year	11th Year	12th Year
65-1	64-1	63-1	62-1
65-3	64-3	63-3	62-4
65-6	64-6	63-6	62-5
65-7	64-7	63-7	
65-9	64-10	63-10	
	64-11	63-11	
	64-14		
	64-15		

The games, under the direction of Mr. Sandack, are being played on grade level, and the winners of each level will wind up playing each other. Mr. Sandack hopes that this tournament will produce some good players for the varsity squad, but whether it does or not, the classes are having lots of sports after school. The winners of each section will receive special PSAL awards and the final winner will receive the Grady letter.

BILL TUORTO and MIKE AWAMI